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**Statement from Mayor Carvalho on the passing of Senator Daniel K. Akaka**

"It is with a heavy heart that we say aloha to Senator Akaka. He was a humble leader and mentor – known to most of us as "Uncle Danny."

"As an educator, veteran, and long-serving lawmaker for our state, Senator Akaka was a true and tireless public servant. He dedicated his career to advocating for the people of Hawai'i, especially our native Hawaiian community. He remained rooted in his Hawaiian values and never stopped advocating for what was pono, or just, for our people.

"Above all else, he was a man that personified the Aloha Spirit in every action he took and every word that he spoke. He was an inspiration to so many of us, and he has left behind a legacy that will continue to inspire the next generation of leaders. Our hearts and prayers are with Auntie Millie and the entire Akaka 'Ohana. A hui hou to our beloved Uncle Danny!"

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